



Location - Begins at U.S. 95 north of Sandpoint and follows Idaho 200 to the Montana state line.



Length - 33.4 miles. Allow 1.5 hours to enjoy the scenery and interpretive information.

Roadway - Idaho 200 is a two-lane, paved road with no passing lanes, but numerous scenic turnouts. Winter driving conditions require drivers to pay attention.



When to see it - Throughout the year. Winter scenes can be magnificent, spring and fall colors are dramatic.

Special attractions - Lake Pend Oreille; Clark Fork River and delta; roadside interpretive exhibits; Schweitzer Ski Area; Panhandle National Forests' seasonal trails and roads; and four seasons of recreational opportunities.

Camping - Samowen Campground on the lake, maintained and primitive spots in the Panhandle National Forest, and numerous private spots in the area.

Services - Full services in Clark Fork, Ponderay, and Sandpoint; partial services in Hope.

Contacts - Hope-Clark Fork Chamber of Commerce: 208-266-1552, www.pobyway.org, hopechamber@verizon.net; Sandpoint Chamber of Commerce: 800-800-2106; Sandpoint Ranger District: 208-263-5111.

Pend Oreille Scenic Byway

The Pend Oreille (pon-der-ay) Scenic Byway offers travelers some of Idaho's most spectacular water views. Beginning at the intersection with U.S. 95, Idaho 200 meanders eastward to the Montana state line across farmlands, through river deltas, and along the rocky northern shores of Lake Pend Oreille, all sculpted by the massive force of glaciers and the floodwaters of Glacial Lake Missoula. Pullouts along the byway allow visitors to stop and enjoy breathtaking vistas of mountainous horizons framing miles of open water.

Four-season recreational opportunities begin along the shores of the lake and reach across the vast regions of national forest overlooking the Pend Oreille Scenic Byway. Whether you are inclined to swim or fish, boat or golf, hunt or hike mountain trails, alpine ski or snowmobile, water ski or bird watch — each of our distinctive four seasons offers an outstanding recreational opportunity for almost every person who enjoys the outdoors.

Visitors can find varying accommodations from unimproved mountain campsites to maintained shoreline campgrounds to recreational vehicles parks along the water or choose from lakefront resorts or motels.

